Correction and Rehabilitation

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The mission of the Department of Correction and Rehabilitation (DOCR) is to protect and serve the residents of Montgomery County and the general public by providing progressive and comprehensive correctional rehabilitative services. These functions are achieved through the employment of well managed and effective correctional programs including: the use of pre-trial supervision; secure incarceration; community treatment; reintegration programs; highly accountable security methods and procedures in each operating unit and program; and effective and progressive administration and management oversight. The Department's goals are:

- To protect the public and the residents of Montgomery County by providing a wide range of constructive professional correctional services for pre-trial and convicted detainees;
- To ensure the safety and welfare of staff and detainees;
- To reduce the rate of reincarceration by providing offenders with the opportunity for self-improvement and the inner resources necessary to make a successful adjustment within the community;
- To attain an exemplary correctional system and to continue to develop and maintain a professional correctional staff; and
- To meet the future correction and rehabilitation needs of the County by means of effective planning and responsible fiscal and resource management.

The Department uses several facilities to achieve these goals: the Montgomery County Correctional Facility (MCCF); the Montgomery County Detention Center (MCDC); the Pre-Release Center (PRC); and the Ardennes Public Safety Facility which provides space for Pre-Trial Services, Alternative Community Services (ACS), and the Intervention Program for Substance Abuse (IPSA). The Director's Office is in leased space in the Rockville core and the Training Unit is at the Public Safety Training Academy.

HIGHLIGHTS

• Renovate the Montgomery County Detention Center (MCDC) for use primarily as a short-term holding and central processing unit, and convert the housing tower at MCDC into a storage facility for use by various County agencies and departments. The location, schedule, and scope of this project are under review by the County Executive. Pending the outcome of this ongoing assessment, the Executive may propose amendments to the project scope, location, cost estimates, and schedule.

• Design the renovation and addition of the kitchen and dining area at the County's Pre-Release Center.

PROGRAM CONTACTS

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CAPITAL PROGRAM REVIEW

The Recommended FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program for Correction and Rehabilitation is comprised of one ongoing and one new project totaling \$24.7 million. This represents a 15.0 percent decrease from the Amended FY07-12 Program. The total program has increased from the FY07-12 amended; however, the six-year comparison reflects a decrease due to the current production schedule. The FY09-14 recommended expenditures are for the Detention Center Reuse project which provides for the renovation of portions of MCDC to be used primarily as a short term holding facility; DOCR training of Correctional Officers; District Court Commissioners' area; Department of Health and Human Services' Mental Health Assessment and Placement Unit; Pre-Trial Services Assessment Unit; Public Defenders Unit; Police Warrants and Fugitive Unit; and storage for use by various County agencies and departments. In addition, the new Pre-Release Center Kitchen Renovation and Addition project which provides for the renovation and addition of the kitchen and dining area at the County's Pre-Release Center (PRC) is recommended.